

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1166
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MISSING CHILDREN
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether about seven thousand children are reported missing every year from the National Capital Territory (NCT) of Delhi and most of them are never found;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years, boys and girls separately;
- (c) the details of such children who have been found during the said period till date; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government for the safety of children in the NCT of Delhi?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI)

(a) to (d): The requisite information is given below:

Year	Missing reported	Children Traced	Missing Untraced	Children
	Boy	Girl	Boy	Girl
2004	3913	2477	2628	1406
				1285
				1071
2005	4222		2704	3045
				1559
				1177
				1145
2006	4118	2910		3446
				2196
				672
				714
2007 (up to 31st July)	2359	1736	1786	
				1216
				573
				520

The steps taken by Delhi Police for the safety of children in the NCT of Delhi include regular briefing of Division/Beat staff to keep a strict watch over intruders and criminals in their respective areas especially schools, colleges, railways stations, bus terminals, cinema halls, markets etc; intensification of motorcycle as well as foot patrolling; installation of special pickets at important places; maintenance of missing person register in each Police Station; forwarding of all the relevant information entered in the registered to Missing Persons Squad, computerization of Missing persons Squad; flashing of wireless message immediately on all India basis; display of posters in respect of missing persons at the public places i.e. Railway Stations, Bus Terminals, Markets etc; giving publicity regarding missing persons through Media; deployment of Districts Senior Officers as child welfare officer in each Police Station; functioning of District Missing Persons Units in each district; deployment of Division/Beat officers during college/school hours; global display of available information through website of Delhi Police allowing access of the people to the information of Missing Persons Squad; allowing weaker section of the society to have free access to the internet or computer of Delhi Police installed at Police Station New Kotwali in North District to check information about their missing relatives from the Websites of Delhi Police and that of adjoining States; etc.